

## **FERTILITY RATE FOR GIRLS 17 YEARS OF AGE**

### **Objective**

By 1990, the fertility rate for girls 17 years of age should be reduced to 45 per 1,000.

### **Explanatory Notes**

The fertility rate is calculated as the number of resident live births to girls 17 years of age per 1,000 female population 17 years of age. N.C. population bases for single years of age are not available prior to 1980.

### **Findings**

The North Carolina rate has consistently run above the nation's and is projected to rise to 57.0 in 1990. The nation also is not expected to meet this objective (3).

### **Data Sources**

North Carolina: State Center for Health Statistics  
United States: National Center for Health Statistics